

# THE NEWS OF NORFOLK ON PAGES 2, 3, 5, 6 & 11

## LOST.

**LOST—FEMALE SETTER DOG:** brown head and ears; balance white; answers by name of Cate. A liberal reward will be given any one returning her to 46 Roanoke dock, de8-31.

## FOUND.

**FOUND—A NEWFOUNDLAND DOG** followed me either from Portsmouth or Norfolk ferry December 5th. Owner can have same by describing it and paying cost of ad. H. F. COKE, 49 Fenwick street, de8-31.

**FOUND—ON NOVEMBER 5th,** female Irish Setter Dog, with lock and collar with no name. Apply to Mr. E. STRYCHER, Etheredge Stables, Berkeley, Va. de8-31.

## WANTED.

**WANTED—A WATER TO OPEN** oysters at 410 E. Main street, de8-11.

**PRESS PRESSERS WANTED ON JOB** and cylinder presses. W. T. BARRON & CO., 94 and 96 Roanoke avenue, de8-11.

**WANTED—COLORED FIREMAN OR** engineer from 5 to 9:30 each evening; state salary expected. Address "FIREMAN," care Virginian-Pilot, de7-31.

**WANTED—A SECOND HAND OF** fine safe. Apply 785, this office, de8-31.

**MANICURE PARLORS—LADIES** and gentlemen in need of a thoroughly experienced manicurist may obtain services of same by calling at 132 Granby street, room 3, College building, de8-31.

**CIRCULAR LETTERS, ETC.,** MIMOGRAPHED BY ERNEST STAPLES, stenographer, 315 Citizens' Bank Building, New phone 410; old, 161, nol-11.

**WANTED—POSITION, PREFERRED** by young man of experience willing to work. Address "K," this office, no8-11.

## FOR RENT.

**FOR RENT—DESIRABLE ROOMS—** furnished or unfurnished; good locality; near business and cars; splendid place for proper party; rent moderate. Apply 407 Bute street, de8-31.

**FOR RENT—DESIRABLE RESIDENCE,** No. 4 Hamilton avenue, Ghent. Modern improvements; possession January 1st. A tenant desiring to purchase dining room set, carpets, range, etc., preferred. CHAS. C. COUPER, 163 Bank street, de8-11.

**PLEASANT NEATLY FURNISHED** rooms, 241 Church street, opposite St. Paul's Church, no2-11.

## BOARDERS.

**BOARDERS—LARGE WELL VENTILATED** rooms at the Old Dominion House, 70 Cumberland street, nol-11.

**THE HOME—EVERYTHING NEW** and clean, table board \$3.00; board and room \$4.00 per week. 421 and 423 Church street, de8-31.

## SPECIAL NOTICES.

**NOTICE—H. C. WILSON HAS** bought out and will hereafter conduct the grocery business formerly conducted by E. V. Atwood, corner Chapel and Wood streets, de7-11.

**PIANOS TUNED BY OUR FACTORY** Tuner. All work guaranteed. Orders by mail given prompt attention. 606 S. Main street, W. A. LEE, de8-11.

**DR. W. J. YOUNG'S PHOTOGRAPHS** in different positions on sale at our studio. Special prices on all work until Christmas. J. H. WHITE, 376 Main street, de8-31.

**PIANO TUNING, ACTION AND CASE** work. C. S. Marble's address is P. O. Box 151, de8-11.

**HUDSON'S ENGLISH KITCHEN—A** great many changes have taken place in the restaurant business, but the old reliable Hudson's English Kitchen, located in 1880, like a stone wall, become a fixture at 347 Main street. This is strictly a temperance restaurant.

**DR. HARMAN** the only exclusive Optician. Eyes examined free. A large stock of Spectacles. 358 MAIN STREET.

**THE METROPOLITAN LOAN OFFICE** will begin its operations on Monday at public auction at BENNETT'S AUCTION HOUSE, 330 Main street, at 7:30 p. m. nol-11.

**BUREAU FOR EMPLOYMENT AND LABOR** furnishes suitable employment for men and women. Call and register your name. Fee, one dollar. One half refunded if we do not place you. C. J. IREDELL, President; J. B. HANCOCK, Secretary. Room 16, over 5 and 606 S. Main street, for ladies. Old phone, 356; new phone, 510, nol-11.

**WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED OUR** new funeral car and casket wagon, both of the latest design, and persons needing our services will do well to call on us and get prices. J. L. MORRIS & CO., 627 Church street, New phone 1155, nol-11.

**MONEY TO LOAN IN ANY** amounts; no delay; cash terms. LEO JUDSON, Academy of Music building, no2-11.

**\$25,000 TO LEND ON THE** Building and Loan Association plan. W. H. SARGENT, Jr., Room 21, Lowenberg Bldg., nol-11.

**MONEY TO LOAN ON REAL** estate. Loans made promptly. FRANK H. GALE, 310 Main street, nol-11.

**MONEY** Ready; no waiting. Quick Loans on Household Furniture while in use. Mortgages and other securities. Liberal advances on salaries, rents, annuities, estates and permanent incomes. Interviews strictly private and all transactions rigidly confidential. NORFOLK MORTGAGE LOAN COMPANY, W. H. Holzheimer, New No. 353 Main street, Room 12 Office building, suite 5, 6 and 7, nol-11.

**BUREAU FOR EMPLOYMENT AND LABOR** is incorporated and is composed of leading wholesale merchants of Norfolk. Business men wanting help supplied FREE OF CHARGE, character and capacity thoroughly investigated. Not a but worthy help recommended. J. B. HANCOCK, Secretary; C. J. IREDELL, President. Phone, 356; new phone, 510. Room 16, over 5 and 606 S. Main street. Special Room for ladies, nol-11.

**Stocks and Bonds.** MOTTU, de WITT & CO., 31 Granby st. Stocks and bonds. Southern investments. Correspondence solicited.

**LADIES NEEDING TREATMENT** for Irregularities, Leucorrhoea or any other Ovarian Troubles consult DR. JACKSON W. Mulberry street, Baltimore, Md. Private sanitarium; trained nurses.

**NORFOLK DYEING, CLEANING** and Repairing Co.—Ladies' Suits cleaned; Gents' Suits Dyed, \$2.00, cleaned and pressed, 50c. pants pressed 10c. carpets a specialty. 441 Main. New Phone 201, de8-31.

**A Free Trip to Paris!** Reliable persons of a mechanical or inventive mind offering a trip to the Paris Exposition, with good salary and expenses paid, should write The PATENT RECORD, Baltimore, Md.

**LADIES!** Chichester's English Pennyroyal Pills (Dressed) Cures the Best. Safe, Reliable, Pleasant to Take. Sold Everywhere. In Letters by Return Mail. At Drugists. Chichester Chemical Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

## MEMORIAL SUBMITTED

Property Holders' Committee Protests Against Water Meters.

A Paper in Which the Views of Large Tax Payers are Made Known to the Councils—A Remedy Suggested.

The committee of ten, appointed at the large and enthusiastic meeting of property owners at the Real Estate Exchange room November 21st to draw up a memorial to the Councils against water meters, presented that paper to the Common Council, through Clerk Steed, Tuesday night, but on account of the lengthy discussion over the light contracts, it was not reached, though it was on the calendar.

In speaking of the memorial yesterday, Mr. J. Sydney Smith, one of the members of the committee, said that the committee dealt pretty much in generalities, but not because it did not have the facts and figures behind it. The committee had estimates of the cost of meters to the city and to the property owners upon these estimates, which were carefully secured from the best sources available.

The memorial will go to the special Meter Committee, appointed at the request of the Water Board. This committee has held no meeting as yet.

The memorial is as follows:

To the Honorable Common and Select Councils of the City of Norfolk:

"We, the undersigned committee, appointed at a meeting of the property owners of the city of Norfolk, Va., held on the 21st day of November, 1899, to memorialize your honorable bodies against the adoption of the water meter system in said city, as will more fully appear from a certified copy of the said proceedings herewith filed as a part hereof, respectfully submit the following:

"1st. We submit the said resolutions as showing the unanimous wish of the property owners present at the said meeting, upon whom would fall the burden of the said expensive innovation, and which show them to be opposed to the same.

"2d. We submit that in view of the admitted fact that the present water supply is sufficient for a population of 150,000 people that an unreasonable restriction upon the use of the same would be both unnecessary and hurtful to the city from a sanitary standpoint, when cleanliness is especially needful in order to both prevent and stay the progress of contagious diseases, which cause great loss to the city, pecuniarily and otherwise.

"3d. We submit that there is no proof that, by selling the water by the gallon, the amount consumed will be unnecessarily consumed, though charged to the owner or tenant of the premises. But supposing that the amount of water consumed is greatly lessened by said system, then the revenue to the city from its sale must be likewise lessened, unless its price be greatly increased and the sanitary condition of the city rendered worse by the scant use of the water doled out by the measure. Therefore, taking any view of the matter, the revenue collected from a limited and restricted use of the water, if supplied at a reasonable charge, would not be in excess of that now collected, while, on the other hand, there would be added a very large debt to put in the meters, besides a very large fixed charge to operate the system. Just what this expense would be has not with accuracy been determined as yet; but it is so large that the proposition should not be entertained for a moment. We submit that the debt of the city should not be further increased by the issuance of bonds aggregating \$200,000 or more, according to the various estimates which have been made. And as to the additional cost to the owners of the property we cannot approximate it, nor the inconvenience and annoyance which would be occasioned by its adoption.

"4th. We submit also, for your consideration, the fact that these expensive meters, of which there would have to be between 10,000 and 12,000 as soon as connections are completed in Brambleton and Atlantic City, and the Fourth Ward, are not permanent fixtures, but perishable, and the expense of their using them here, in plants where they are required, shows in some cases, at least, they are condemned and thrown aside in five years, and some of those retained as being in good order have peculiar ways of registering, showing at times twice as much water used by the same plant in a like period without any known change in the amount of water consumed on the part of the owners. Such conditions would doubtless attend their general use, and owners of property would be at a loss to know how to adjust rent to meet an ever fluctuating water charge, nor would the department know how to charge and collect in advance, as they now do, without recording bond and security of the owner, or tenant, as the amount would be different each month or quarter. If not collected in advance there would be a constant loss by reason of persons vacating. In addition, as it cannot be told by looking at a meter whether it is measuring properly or not, the consumer is completely at the mercy of the meter and the water department.

"We further submit that the people of the city of Norfolk, who are the owners of this water, have the right to say how they shall pay for its use, and if they prefer a system by which they pay a certain fixed amount, which sometimes makes them pay more than the meter system would and sometimes less, their wishes on this subject should be regarded.

"We submit that if the only object desired is to prevent an unusual waste of water, if such there be, then the said object may be accomplished by the adoption of the inexpensive system of automatic cut-offs, with a competent corps of water inspectors, who will inspect. The number should not be limited to two, as we are advised, is now the case, and who, your committee are advised, do not average inspecting each house once in a year.

"As the real object of this agitation seems to be to increase the pressure in the city, we favor the laying of an additional water main. If the object be the diminution of waste, we favor automatic cut-offs and more diligent inspection. If both be necessary, we favor both, as infinitely better than a system of meters.

"C. WHITTE SAMS,  
"T. F. ROGERS,  
"W. W. HUNTER,  
"J. SYDNEY SMITH,  
"JAS. E. ETHEREDGE,  
"LUTHER SHELTON,  
"A. M. HIGGINS,  
"JOSEPH T. ALLYN,  
"HENRY L. TURNER,  
"EDWARD SPALDING,  
"Committee."

## LAND GRABBERS' CASE.

Counsel for Mrs. Barraud Files Papers Attacking Mandamus Petition

Claims That the Law Which Would Operate to Take the Defendant's Property Away Would be Unconstitutional—No Legal Notice Served in First Place.

Messrs. R. H. Baker & Son, counsel for Mrs. Honora Barraud, yesterday filed their answer to the "landgrabbers'" petition for a mandamus from Judge Hancel compelling Clerk Royster to receive from W. E. Swann the delinquent taxes for 1896 on Mrs. Barraud's Falkland street property.

The case was set for to-day, but Judge Hancel yesterday received a telegram from Judge T. H. Wilcox, Clerk Royster's counsel in the case, saying that it was probable that he would not arrive from Richmond, where he went on business, in time to appear in the case. For this reason, it may be postponed until to-morrow.

The defense's answer to Mr. Swann's petition is a general denial to all of his allegations. It claims that section 664 of the Code of Virginia provides for protection of land owners in just such cases as this, in providing that the owner of delinquent property may redeem it before any further sale or conveyance; and it is maintained further, that there had been no further sale or conveyance of this particular property, inasmuch as the claimant, under the land grabbers' act, had tendered the taxes, which was a necessary precedent to his securing a title thereto. The owner's counsel claims that a law contrary to these principles would be unconstitutional.

Another point, upon which the defense relies to a great extent, is that the "land-grabbers" never served any notice, especially a legal notice, upon the owner of the property. This notice they claim to have served was upon Mrs. Alice Scott, in whose name the property appears on the delinquent tax book. The defense raises the point that Mrs. Scott has a living husband, Josephus Scott, and that no papers were ever served or attempted to be served upon him.

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**Ladies' Aid Society.**

The Ladies' Aid Society of LeKies Memorial M. E. Church of Atlantic City Ward has been re-organized for the new conference year by the election of the following officers:

President, Mrs. C. O. Barney; Vice-President, Mrs. Della Perdue; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Joseph Roberts; Assistant, Miss Maggie Simpson; Financial Secretary, Mrs. W. M. Burroughs; Treasurer, Mrs. J. D. Blatz.

The society has under consideration plans for inaugurating a number of church entertainments during the present winter months for the benefit of the various enterprises of the church. There is a small indebtedness on the part of the church, which the membership hope to be able to cancel the present conference year.

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## FRUIT COMPANY CHARTERED.

BOSTON'S MONOPOLY WILL BE DESTROYED.

This city will enter into the business of importing tropical fruits on a large scale. Plans with this object in view have been maturing for some time, and yesterday they culminated in a charter being granted to a strong combination of brains and money, to be known as the Norfolk and West India Fruit and Steamship Company.

The charter was granted by Judge Hancel, of the Corporation Court. The company is capitalized at \$100,000, and is empowered to hold 10,000 acres of land, and purposes embarking in the fruit trade on a scale which will eventually make this port known as the center of this trade.

The officers are: President, George H. Dawes, of Norfolk; Vice President and General Manager, Alex. H. Bullock, of Baltimore; Secretary and Treasurer, B. Bruce Bailey, of Newport News. The two officers first named, and Messrs. Nathaniel Egan, W. H. Wales, Jr., T. S. Garnett, Charles H. Williams, compose the board of directors.

The company is composed of men with sufficient means, experience and ability to carry out any plans that may be decided upon, and will begin operations at the earliest practicable moment.

**St. Vincent's Rebuilding Fund.**

The St. Vincent's Hospital rebuilding fund was swelled yesterday to the extent of \$250, contributed by the Norfolk and Southern Railroad Company, through General Manager King.

The total of the subscriptions to date is \$9,095.16.

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OTHER LOCAL ON PAGE 3.

**REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE NORFOLK NATIONAL BANK, AT NORFOLK, IN THE STATE OF VIRGINIA, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, DECEMBER 2, 1899.**

**RESOURCES.**

Loans and discounts	\$1,152,318.39
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	14,070.50
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	400,000.00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits	500,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	45,900.00
Other bonds	432,650.00
Banking-house, furniture, and fixtures	50,000.00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)	187,195.52
Due from State Banks and bankers	40,101.27
Due from approved reserve agents	295,375.59
Checks and other cash items	11,161.25
Exchange for clearing-house	36,912.74
Notes of other National Banks	2,915.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	829.41
Liquid money reserve in bank, viz:	
Specie	\$76,955.75
Legal-tender notes	\$5,920.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)	15,000.00
Total	\$3,349,500.06

**LIABILITIES.**

Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	74,250 37
National Bank notes outstanding	360,000 00
Due to other National Banks	248,391 15
Due to State Banks and bankers	224,154 89
Individual deposits subject to check	1,263,436 00
Demand certificates of deposit	75,390 00
Certified checks	1,207 87
Cashier's checks outstanding	6,320 51
U. S. deposits	298,065 78
Deposits of U. S. Disbursing officers	258,413 07
Total	\$3,349,560 00